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DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: **Board of Geologists** 

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Friday, September 10, 2010 at 10:00 a.m.

861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware PLACE:

Conference Room B, Cannon Building

October 8, 2010 MINUTES APPROVED:

### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

William Schenck, President, Professional Member Scott Blaier, Vice-President, Professional Member Kimberly McKenna, Secretary, Professional Member Patricia Ennis, Public Member Lorene Athey, Public Member Amos Aiken, Public Member

### **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL**

Allison Reardon, Deputy Attorney General Sandra Wagner, Administrative Specialist III

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT**

N/A

### **PUBLIC PRESENT**

David Streetsmith

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Schenck called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

#### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from the August 6, 2010 meeting. Ms. Athey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Blair to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

# Strategic Plan

## Goal number 1:

The Board had a discussion and decided to hold a committee meeting after the October meeting. This committee will discuss putting some kind of mechanism in place for "Tracking supervised practice". They will discuss putting in place a duty to report unlicensed practice. The Committee members are Mr. Schenck, Ms.

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McKenna, and Mr. Blair.

Goal number 2: The Board has met this goal. Goal Number 3: The Board has met this goal. Goal #4 Increase Travel Budget The Board has met this goal.

The next drafted strategic plan will be next October 2011.

## Review of Continuing Education

The Board reviewed the continuing education application for Michael Moriarty for the course Groundwater in Fractured Bedrock requesting 6 hours. Mr. Schenck made a motion, seconded by Ms. McKenna to approve the application for 6 hours. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board was asked to reconsider a denied continuing education application for Tad Yancheski for the course "How Do Your Ethics Measure Up" requesting 2 hours. Ms. Athey made a motion, seconded by Ms. McKenna to deny the reconsideration for 2 hours due to the course not having any Geological content. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board reviewed the continuing education application for Thomas Dwyer for the course Standing Column Well Geothermal Systems requesting 8 hours. Mr. Schenck made a motion, seconded by Mr. Aiken to approve the application for 7.5 hours. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board reviewed the continuing education application for Thomas Dwyer for the course Advanced Resistivity Imaging Seminar requesting 16 hours. Mr. Blair made a motion, seconded by Ms. McKenna to approve the application for 14 hours. The motion carried with 5 approve, one opposed.

# Re-review of Applicant for Licensure

Mr. Schenck reviewed the application of Jeremy Andrews seeking licensure through Delaware with the Board. Mr. Schenck made a motion, seconded by Mr. Blair to approve Mr. Andrews for licensure. The motion was unanimously approved.

## Final Denial

The Board proposed to deny the application from Chad Speicher at the August 6, 2010 meeting. A letter was sent to Mr. Speicher explaining that he didn't meet the education requirements. On September 10, 2010, Mr. Schenck made a motion, seconded by Mr. Aiken to final deny the application of Mr. Speicher. The motion passed unanimously.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

# Election of Officers

Mr. Aiken made a motion, seconded by Ms. Athey to reappoint all members to their current offices for another term. Mr. Aiken and Ms. Athey had to withdrawal the motion due to Ms. McKenna not being able to serve as secretary more than the allowable time. Mr. Blair made a motion, seconded by Ms. McKenna to reappoint Mr. William Schenck to President for a second term. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Schenck made a motion, seconded by Ms. Athey to appoint Mr. Scott Blair as Secretary and Ms. Kimberly McKenna as Vice President. The motion passed unanimously.

#### <u>Discussion of Statute change</u>

The Board discussed changing the education requirements in section 3608 and 3609 of the statute to be more specific in what courses would be needed in case the application did not have a degree in geology or one

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of its subdisciplines. Mr. Schenck voiced his concerns with changing what is currently in the Statue. Ms. Reardon gave some input on what would be needed in order to make this change and how it might affect new applicants. The Board decided to leave the requirements the way they are currently written.

# Review of Continuing Education Approval Applications

The Board reviewed the continuing education application for Linda Aller for the course Improving the Description & Characterization of Glacial Successions for Environmental & Engineering Projects requesting 14.5 hours. Ms. McKenna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schenck to approve the application for 14.5 hours. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board reviewed the continuing education application for Linda Aller for the course PFAA Days III Recent Advances in Research on Perfluroctanoic Acid requesting 16.5 hours. Ms. McKenna made a motion, seconded by Ms. Athey to approve the application for 16.5 hours. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Board reviewed the continuing education application for Linda Aller for the course 2010 North American Environmental Field Conference and Exposition requesting 36 hours. Ms. McKenna made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schenck to approve the application for 12 hours, which is the allowable amount for that category. The motion was unanimously approved.

### <u>Discussion of ASBOG Annual Meeting</u>

Mr. Schenck would like the Board to become more involved in the Annual ASBOG meetings. On the years that the ASBOG meeting has the Administrator's workshop Mr. Schenck would like to have the Board's administrative specialist attend the workshop and annual meeting. Mr. Schenck would also like Board members to volunteer or make recommendations on who from the Board would like to go to the ASBOG meeting. There should be at least one voting delegate from the Board attending the meeting who could also be a Subject Matter Expert (SME) for the council of Examiners plus one additional Board member that would be an additional SME and be available to attend and caucus with the voting member at the business part of the annual meeting. Mr. Schenck mentioned that the public members might want to attend the meetings sometime; however the public members would not be able to be SMEs. Mr. Blair made a motion, seconded by Mr. Aiken to nominate Mr. Schenck as the Boards voting delegate for the upcoming ASBOG meeting in November. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### Ratify Applications to sit for PG Exam

Mr. Schenck made a motion, seconded by Ms. McKenna to have the Board ratify, Mr. Schenck's pre-view of Mr. Joseph Button's application to allow him to sit for the ASBOG exam in October. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Schenck reviewed Mr. Button's application for licensure through examination with the Board. Mr. Schenck made a motion, seconded by Mr. McKenna to allow Mr. Button be granted his license pending passing result of the ASBOG exam. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Schenck made a motion, seconded by Mr. Aiken to have the Board ratify, Mr. Schenck's pre-view of Ms. Jennifer Egan's application to allow her to sit for the ASBOG exam in October. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Schenck reviewed Ms. Egan's application for licensure through examination with the Board. Mr. Schenck made a motion, seconded by Mr. McKenna to allow Ms. Egan be granted her license pending passing result of the ASBOG exam. The motion was unanimously approved.

# OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (for discussion only)

The Board discussed changing the November meeting to November 12 because of the Annual ASBOG meeting being held in early November. The Board agreed to change meeting from November 6<sup>th</sup> to the 12<sup>th</sup>.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Streetsmith asked the Board for clarification of the continuing education and the approval. Mr. Schenck explained the courses that come to the Board for CE approval are for the most part, courses that licensee are not 100% sure will be approved if they get audited. All courses that pertain to Geology are approved for renewal purposes. Mr. Streetsmith asked the Board if he would be able to get credit for attending their meeting. The Board answered according to the categories that he would be able to get 2 CE credits because the meeting was 2 hours long. Mr. Streetsmith thanked the Board.

## **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for October 8, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mr. Aiken made a motion, seconded by Ms Athey, to adjourn the meeting at 12:04 p.m. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Wagner

Administrative Specialist III

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